

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re application of:** Finkel *et al.*

**Application No.** 10/534,626

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**For:** METHOD FOR DIAGNOSIS AND  
TREATMENT OF VASCULAR DISEASE

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION SUBMITTED  
WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Final Office action dated May 2, 2008, for which a three month period for reply was set, making a response due by August 2, 2008. A one-month extension of time is requested, and the corresponding fee is submitted herewith, making this response due no later than **September 2, 2008**. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the required fee are also submitted herewith. If the Commissioner concludes that additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fees to Deposit Account 02-4550.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 9.